Oregon Fish Consumption Rate Project 2008 Public Workshops

Workshop 5: Reducing Toxics in Our Environment Wednesday June 4, 2008 Portland State University—Smith Memorial Building The Vanport Room-3rd Floor-Room 338 1825 SW Broadway Portland, OR 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Goal of all Workshops: Engage the public, interested stakeholders and tribal governments in an exchange of information and ideas about: the fish consumption rate used in developing Oregon's human health criteria for water quality standards; the potential effects of a higher rate state-wide; implementation challenges; and alternative actions. These workshops will help DEQ, in partnership with EPA and CTUIR, to develop recommendations and supporting documentation to present the Oregon Environmental Quality Commission in October 2008 with a range of options that might lead to an increase in the fish consumption rate.

Workshop Purpose:

• To present examples of innovative toxic reduction and pollution prevention that have helped to reduce toxics in water ways of the US, the Pacific NW and Oregon and to brainstorm additional ideas for success in Oregon.

Goals for the Day:

- Educate members of the public about successful strategies that have been used to reduce toxics that end up in water—and in fish that are consumed by people.
- Brainstorm and develop new ideas for Oregon

8:30 Registration, Get Settled

8:45 Welcome –Facilitator and Representatives from three governments **Update on the Project** –DEQ/EPA/CTUIR Representatives will describe the project and how today's workshop fits into the overall process.

9:15 Presentations: Where Have We Been Successful with Toxic Reductions?

National Examples:

• 9:15-9:45 Great Lakes/NPDES: Ash Sajjad, EPA, Region 5

Pacific NW Examples:

• 9:45-10:15Yakima Basin-DDT Reductions in waterway, Andrew Kolesseus, WA DOE

10:15-10:30 BREAK

- 10:30-11:00 Columbia/Snake Basin: Pulp and Paper Dioxin Reductions, Llewellyn Matthews, NW Pulp and Paper Association
- 11:00-11:30 Columbia River Toxics Reduction Strategy: Mary Lou Soscia, EPA, Region 10; Debrah Marriott, Lower Columbia River Estuary Partnership

11:30 Oregon Examples:

 11:30-12:00 Pesticide Stewardship Programs (regional): Hood River/Walla Walla and Take Back of Restricted Pesticides, Kevin Masterson, ODEQ & Karl Morgenstern, Eugene Water & Electric Board

Noon-1:00 Break for lunch—on your own

1:00 Continue Presentations

- 1:00-1:45 Association of Clean Water Agency Programs (municipalities): Pharmaceutical Reductions, Pollution Prevention & Mercury Reductions, Janet Gillaspie, ACWA
- 1:45-2:15 Innovative Storm Water Solutions (business), Doug Warneke, Production Supervisor, Toyota

2:15 Where Else Can We Be Successful in Oregon? How?

How could we knit a more comprehensive program together?

- This discussion will be kicked off with a proposal from the Association of Clean Water Agencies for discussion by small groups
- Small group brainstorm of ideas for innovative approaches to toxic reduction
 - Where can we be successful? What is needed to be successful?
 - o Who needs to be involved? How do we get those people involved?
 - What should the next steps be to make anything happen?

2:45-3:00 Break

3:00 Ideas Shared with the Larger Group

3:30 What Do Policy Makers Think About These Ideas? What Can They Do?

 A panel of policy makers will be asked to listen to the ideas generated, share their ideas about how to proceed and offer actions they could take Confirmed: Kathleen Feehan, CTUIR; Mike Gearheard, EPA; Don Gentry, Klamath Tribes; Neil Mullane, DEQ. Invited: AOI, OEC

4:00 Wrap Up and Next Steps in the Process

4:30 Adjourn

Thank you for participating in today's workshop!